

## RDECOM Components

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**U.S. Army Tank Automotive R&D Center (TARDEC)**  
Warren, MI 48397-5000  
Joe Barr (810) 574-8874

*Principal interests:* R&D associated with combat tactical and special purpose vehicles. R&D programs related to advanced concepts, development and engineering of combat and tactical vehicles, including automotive subsystems and components. Component programs involving engines, transmissions, suspensions, electrical and miscellaneous vehicular components.

**U.S. Army Armament R&D Center (ARDEC)**  
Picatinny Arsenal, NJ 07806-5000  
Rick Burdett (973) 724-4106

*Principal interests:* Product development/improvement of munitions, weaponry, and fire control systems; testing and analysis; and technical support for fielded armament systems.

## Small Business Office

The RDECOM Small Business Office (SBO) fully supports the Department of Defense (DoD) policy to place a fair portion of procurement dollars for supplies and services with all small business program elements. The Small Business Specialist will assist you in understanding the procurement process and provide information on contracting opportunities.

Our mission is to maximize small business participation in RDECOM contracting and provide support to any business desiring to work with federal government contracting.

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### **RDECOM**

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## What is the goal of RDECOM?

The overall goal and core mission of RDECOM is to field the right equipment to our soldiers in the shortest time possible. RDECOM has restructured the Army's research and development (R&D) and science and technology communities under one umbrella organization. This will significantly streamline efforts, enabling us to rapidly integrate, mature, demonstrate, and deploy emerging technologies.

**Mission: Field technologies that sustain America's Army as the premier land force in the world.**

RDECOM is committed to satisfying the urgent need to quickly transition technology to the field by restructuring our core research, development, and engineering capabilities. This new command will rapidly integrate, mature, and demonstrate all merging technologies resulting in fielding the right equipment, in the shortest time, for our soldiers. It will take advantage of the enormous potential and capitalize on the synergy that resides in research activities around the world by forging strong working relationships with other Army elements, industry, academia, our sister services, other government agencies, our allies — and capitalize on the synergy of all these elements.

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**U.S. Army Research Office (ARO)**  
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2211  
Larry Travis (919) 549-4271

*Principal interests:* Research proposals on a competitive basis, from educational institutions, nonprofit organizations, and private industry in the fields of mathematics, physics, engineering, chemistry, electronics, materials, biology and geoscience.

**U.S. Army Research Laboratory (ARL)**  
Adelphi, MD 20783-1197  
Susan Boblitt (301) 295-2311

*Principal interests:* Research and technology development efforts provide scientific and technological innovation in ten fields of technical endeavor: lethality; survivability enhancement; assessment; sensors, signatures and signal processing; power resources; materials and structures; battlefield environmental effects; human factors; advanced computing and advanced electronics.

**U.S. Army Aviation and Missile R&D Center (AMRDEC)**  
Huntsville, AL 35898-5000  
Mit Merrit (256) 876-5441

*Principal interests:* R&D of new helicopter systems, support of qualification testing of turbine engines, development and evaluation of prototype hardware for fueling and defueling equipment for use in combat areas and solving fuel contamination problems. Conducts research in both exploratory and advanced development in subsonic areas of application. R&D associated with free rockets, guided missiles, ballistic missiles, targets, air defense weapons systems, fire control coordination equipment, related special purpose and multisystem test equipment, missile launching and ground support equipment, metrology and calibration equipment and other associated equipment.

**U.S. Army Communications-Electronics R&D Center (CERDEC)**  
Fort Monmouth, NJ 07703-5005  
Kevin Loesch (732) 532-4512

*Principal interests:* R&D and acquisition, to include first production and initial fielding of communications, tactical data and command and control systems. R&D programs related to communications, electronics intelligence, electronic warfare, reconnaissance surveillance, target acquisition, night vision, combat identification, position locations, tactical satellites, maneuver control, common hardware/software, sensors, power sources and other associated equipment.

**U.S. Army Edgewood Chemical and Biological Center (ECBC)**  
Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD 21010-5423  
John Rasmussen (410) 436-3136

*Principal interests:* Research, concept exploration, demonstration and validation, engineering manufacturing development for chemical defense systems, obscuring smoke and aerosol systems, and flame weapons.

**Natick Soldier Center (NSC)**  
Natick, MA 01760-5000  
Dave Condon (508) 233-4995

*Principal interests:* R&D in the physical and biological sciences and engineering to meet military requirements in commodity areas of textiles, clothing, body armor, footwear, insecticides and fungicides, subsistence, containers, food service, equipment tentage and equipage, and air delivery equipment.